

Inverness Freedom for Queen Mother

2045

8th August 53

The freedom of Inverness, the Highland Capital of Scotland, awaited Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother when she was welcomed by Provost Grigor to the ancient Royal Burgh...

During his introductory Address - Provost Grigor spoke of the Queen Mother's life of devotion. SOUND

The Royal Visitor then took the Burgess Oath. SOUND

And the Provost placed the symbolic ring on the finger of the Queen Mother.

Then - this Scottish Queen received the Freedom Scroll - amid much applause...

The Queen Mother ~~was~~ signed the Burgess Roll and thus became a Freeman of the Royal Burgh of Inverness...

~~After three Highland cheers had greeted ~~her~~ "Inverness' youngest Burgess" the Royal Visitor said... SOUND~~
In her ~~title~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~ancient~~ ~~Royal~~ ~~freedom~~ ~~with~~ ~~her~~ ~~declared~~ -

~~After the ceremony, held in the "Playhouse Cinema" - the Queen Mother left by car to attend an official luncheon.~~ *After the ceremony. (held in the Playhouse Cinema). ~~the Queen Mother left to carry out an inspection of~~*

~~Later, in the day, the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders were inspected by the Queen Mother in ~~the~~ ~~park~~ - before, they, too, received the Freedom~~

INVERNESS
of the ~~Burgh~~...

Provost Grigor presented the Freedom Scroll to Major-General Douglas Wimberly - the Colonel of the Regiment, *before the Cameronians were*

~~Then - watched by over seven thousand citizens of the Burgh - the Queen Mother addressed the Regiment. SOUND~~ *addressed by the Queen Mother.*

~~A proud day for ~~the~~ ~~Cameronians~~ - as, in keeping with the new honour bestowed upon them - ~~they~~ marched past - with bayonets fixed and colours flying - to the skirl of their own pipes...~~ *as they ~~Highlanders~~ ~~the Cameronians~~*

~~A peace-time honour for a brave Highland Regiment...~~

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A ~~peace-time~~ peace-time honour for a brave Highland Regiment...